

HADLEY TOWNSHIP
4293 Pratt Rd-P.O. Box 227
Hadley MI 48440
Minutes of Hadley Township Special Meeting
Held at Hadley Township Office Building
December 13, 2022

A special meeting of the Hadley Township Board was held on Tuesday, December 13, 2022 at 5:45 pm at the Hadley Township Office Building, 4293 Pratt Rd, Hadley MI.

Board members present: Supervisor Monroe, Trustee Hartwig, Clerk Daly, Trustee Brandt, Treasurer Schultz, Deputy Clerk Ivory, and 3 residents

The meeting was called to order at 5:45 pm by Supervisor Monroe

AGENDA

*22-104 Motion by Brandt, second by Hartwig to approve agenda as presented.

Ayes: Daly, Schultz, Brandt, Monroe, and Hartwig

Nays: None

Motion carried.

PUBLIC TIME

The following topics were discussed by residents: None at this time, but residents encouraged to contribute during board discussion.

DISCUSSION ITEMS: IDEAS FOR USE OF ARPA FUNDS

Sewers Downtown

- Treasurer Schultz looked into conducting market analysis for downtown. Cost would prohibitive, but found out most successful businesses in small towns provide necessities.
- Previous sewer study estimated cost to be \$990,000 spread over 27 parcels, would have been \$43,000/parcel.
 - Even if we added township funds, still would be \$25,000 a parcel or more

Marston Park

- Spark Grant, if received would cover walking trail in park and a Pavilion
 - 3 rounds of this grant
 - First round application due week from today and grant winners announced middle of January
 - Next two rounds spring and fall of 2023
 - No idea how likely we are to get it, but it may go to more populated areas.
- Pickleball courts
 - Get quote from Dryden as they just designed 4 courts
- Resident Maureen Shoemaker cautioned the board to remember that some of these ideas would require future maintenance which would incur additional cost to the Township.

Township Office Building

- Finish Basement
- Trustee Brandt said elevator would not be needed as long as parking lot is constructed behind the building
- Supervisor Monroe will seek quotes to determine cost to remodel basement

Old Town Hall

- Remodel – get ideas and quotes for work
- Treasurer Schultz will work on getting quotes for a remodel

High Speed Internet

- Broadband will come to Hadley eventually
- Many residents are desperate for it
- Spectrum offered if Hadley gave them all ARPA funds they would make sure every resident has access
 - However, other options are coming – for example Verizon may collocate on fire hall tower and provide internet \$25/month for 5G.
- Lapeer County is planning on installing fiberoptic. We could link into it. That is about four years out though.

Bike Path for Metamora/Hadley State Park

- Widening shoulder was discussed.
 - People still feel unsafe being so close to traffic
- Separate path
 - Biggest challenge, besides cost, is getting easements from property owners to construct the path

Other

- Supervisor Monroe suggested breaking down costs on each item to determine how the ARPA funds would be best utilized.
- Treasurer Schultz mentioned township dollars could be added to any of these projects
 - Auditors suggested using township funds to benefit residents
- Resident Kent Copeman suggested using ARPA funds for electronic speed limit signs in town and improving post office parking lot because of current standing water/ice hazard

- Trustee Brandt will contact Road Commission and see if the problem can be solved
- Doggie Doo station at Marston Park

ARPA FUNDS - \$468,000 available, obligate by end of 2024, use by end of 2026

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The following topics were discussed by residents: None.

*22-105 Motion by Hartwig, second by Brandt to adjourn the meeting at 6:48 pm.

Ayes: Daly, Schultz, Hartwig, Monroe, and Hartwig

Nays: None

Motion carried.

Cynthia Daly
Hadley Township Clerk

Ernest Monroe
Hadley Township Supervisor

Approved at the January 10, 2023 township board meeting.